Bishop Hooper CE Primary School

Parental Survey - July 2016

Many thanks to those parents/carers who completed our survey last term. These are always passed on to our governors who analyse them in order to consider what we are doing well and how we could improve even further as we strive to move towards our vision of becoming an outstanding school. This year we have received our best ever set of responses:

Attitudes to School:

	Strongly	
	agree/agree	
My child enjoys	100%	
coming to school		
My child finds lessons	100%	
interesting		
My child feels safe	100%	
from bullying		
If my child has had a	100%	
problem it has been		
dealt with promptly by		
staff		
There is a variety of	92%	
after school activities		
for my child to enjoy		

Curriculum/Pupil Progress: Christian Ethos:

	Strongly agree/agree		Strongly agree/agree
The school gives me a clear understanding of what is being taught each term	100%	My child enjoys taking part in Christian worship	92%
The school enables my child to achieve their best	100%	My child enjoys learning about different religions	92%
My child is supported in class if they are having difficulty	100%	The Christian ethos permeates school life	92%
The content and amount of homework is correct	100%	The Christian values of the school help prepare my child for the future	92%

Staying Safe and Healthy: Communication:

	Strongly agree/agree		Strongly agree/agree
The school lunches are healthy and well balanced	73%	The school keeps me well informed of my child's progress	96%
The school provides good opportunities for physical exercise (PE, playtime, clubs)	100%	I am able to approach school with questions/problems	96%
The school helps the children lead a healthy lifestyle	100%	I find the weekly newsletter useful	100%
The school is a safe and secure site for my child	100%	I feel the school is well led (Head teacher, governors)	96%

In addition, several wonderful comments had also been written by parents such as:

'I have really enjoyed my child's first year at Bishop Hooper. The balance between academic and outdoor education has really encouraged my son's learning and made his first year very enjoyable. '

'I feel both children are receiving a well-rounded education in a safe and nurturing environment.'

We always value your comments in order to improve further and also had several excellent suggestions and comments which we have tried to act upon:

'Roof situation has not been great. I am disappointed my child has not had as much free play outside Class One'. We completely agree. The situation with the veranda made the Summer Term very difficult for everyone and it was only with the efforts of staff, children and parents together, that it led to the least amount of disruption possible. Governors worked really hard to ensure the work was completed as soon as possible. Fortunately this is now resolved and the veranda is now back in action!

'My children are keen to do Forest School. Would this be possible for older children?

A great idea, although it is more difficult to fit in to an already packed curriculum for the older children. We are considering the possibility of fitting in Forest School sessions for Class 3 and 4 during the second half of the summer term.

'School lunches are not very big portions'. Shire Services, the school meals provider, base all portion sizes on Government guidelines. Much depends on the choices made by individual children- a child who enjoys eating a variety of vegetables will have a much larger meal than a child who chooses to have less on their plate. Second helpings are usually available for most meals, for those children who want them.

'We would like more variety of After School Clubs in the summer months.' We have been told that, as a small school, we offer more after school clubs than many other schools in the area. However, we are always on the look-out for new clubs to run, so governors would welcome further suggestions and particularly volunteers keen to run them!

'My child could be pushed more.' We would always advise parents that if you ever have an issue related to your individual child, rather than the school in general, that you see your child's class teacher as soon as possible - please do not wait for a Parents' Evening/questionnaire. If you still felt the issue was unresolved, then please see Mrs Phelps and we will work together to sort things out. Communication is always the key to good home/school links.

Many thanks to all of those parents who returned the questionnaires. We are very grateful for your feedback and all comments have been taken on board. It is thanks to the wonderful community spirit of this school and continued support of parents, that we continue to go from strength to strength, striving to offer your children the very best education and experiencing record numbers of pupils wanting to attend here each year!

With very best wishes

Kerri Phelps